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Progress and Schedule for I-15 CORE in Spanish Fork

UDOT Outlines Ongoing and Upcoming Construction Activities

LEHI, Utah (Oct. 29, 2010) — Construction teams on UDOT's Utah County I-15 Corridor Expansion (I-15 CORE) are progressing with Interstate 15 work in the Spanish Fork area and have released an anticipated schedule for future construction activities. The following is a brief report on progress and significant activities that will occur in Spanish Fork in the coming months:

I-15 Mainline

Traffic has been shifted to the newly widened portion of I-15 in Spanish Fork and full reconstruction will begin on the old portion. Permanent concrete has been placed between S.R. 75 (1600 North) in Springville and 2700 North in Spanish Fork. Crews plan to shift all traffic to the new concrete this winter. Other activities in the area include removal of the old asphalt and median barrier inside the construction zone.

U.S. 6

Reconstruction of the new ramp from southbound I-15 to eastbound U.S. 6 is currently underway. The interchange will be under construction throughout the duration of the project. Some ramp closures are anticipated in summer 2011. Work is being phased to reduce impacts and restrictions wherever possible. Work on U.S. 6, east of I-15, is scheduled to begin in spring 2011 between Chappell Drive and I-15. Impacts will include reduced lane widths and traffic shifts through 2012.

Spanish Fork Main Street and 300 West Bridges

The old I-15 bridges over Main Street and 300 West in Spanish Fork are in the process of being removed or demolished while construction on the new bridges is underway. Work is scheduled during the day and at night in both areas. On Main Street, motorists should expect reduced lane widths, lane shifts and barrels or barriers during the daytime, with one-way flagging operations and possible lane or full closures at night. On 300 West, motorists can expect intermittent daytime closures, reduced lane widths, lane shifts and one-way flagging operations during the day and at night. Reconstruction activities include excavation, hauling materials into the area, grading, compaction, pile driving and retaining wall and bridge substructure construction through 2011. Spanish Fork residents near these streets should anticipate an increase in truck traffic, noise levels and possible vibrations with heavy equipment working nearby.

200 East (Industrial Park Drive):

Utility relocation is underway on 200 East (Industrial Park Drive) in preparation for construction of the new southbound off-ramp from I-15 to Main Street. A cul-de-sac will be made at 200 East for safety precautions due to its proximity to the new off-ramp. Businesses will remain accessible via 1600 North. This change in access is expected in winter 2010.

To minimize delays, UDOT encourages motorists to TravelWise by carpooling, telecommuting, using alternate routes and shifting travel times. Stay informed by signing up for weekly e-mail updates at udot.utah.gov/i15core, following the project on facebook.com/i15core and twitter.com/i15core and receiving text updates by texting "i15" to 53535.

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Construction activities and dates are subject to change. Please check the I-15 CORE website (udot.utah.gov/i15core) for the latest information.